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Gordon Ziegler
Ziegler Chemical and Mineral Corporation
100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 140
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Re: Reclamation Inspection, Ziegler Chemical and Mineral Corporation, Ziegler Gilsonite Mine,
M/047/013, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Ziegler:

On October 9, 2002, Stan Wagner, Doug Jensen and I inspected the Cottonwood Nos. 1, 2, and 3 and Little Emma 7 properties for the purpose of determining whether these sites meet the grading and revegetation criteria for release. The attached report discusses what we found at these sites.

As explained in the inspection report, vegetation at these sites does not meet the requirements of R647-4-13.11, so we must deny your request for release at this time. The only area with some perennial vegetation is the Cottonwood #3 site, and even here, the dominant vegetation is introduced annual forbs.

The inspection report discusses some suggested steps to revegetate these sites. Please feel free to contact me at 801-538-5261 if you have any questions. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker
Senior reclamation Biologist

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Enclosure: Inspection report with photos

cc: Stan Wagner, Ziegler
Pete Sokolosky, Vernal BLM
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